

Journal of a Whaling voyage on board Ship Jasper

Remarks on board Monday October the 14

H H	Course E by N	Commences with fresh breezes
2 5	S by E	From E heading S S E with pleasant
4 5		Weather saw a ship steering W
6 5		At 11 A M saw a large sperm
8 5		Whale at 4 before 12 lowered
10 5		struck and killed the whale
12 5		And lost him through an old boat
2 5		The whale hit the boat a light tap
4 5		And her rotten stem and keel
6 5		Fell out and the other boats Iron
8 5		Drawed and he went off with 2
10 5		Irons and a lance a soon beginning
12 5		Lat by DR 19° 52' Long 25° 25'

Bearing and Distance of St Nicholas
S 14° 00' E Distance 172 mile

Remarks on board Tuesday October the 15

H H	Course E by N	Commences with light trades at 1
4 3 12	S S E	P M took in the stoven boat
6 5 12		And chasing the whale a spouting
8 6 12		Blow at 3 P M came on board the
10 6 12		Whale 6 miles to windward and
12 6 12		going faster then we can row
2 6 12		steering S S E middle and latter
4 7		Pleasant weather all hands employ
6 6 12		fitting 2 New boats
8 6 12		Lat by Obs 17° 55' N° long by Chro 24° 28'
10 6 12		D R Lat 18° 01' Long 24° 31' W
12 6 12		Lunar Obs 24° 37' W

Bearing and Distance of St Nicholas
S 14 mile

Remarks on board Wednesday October the 16

H H	Course W by N	Light trades steering S by E
2 6	S S E	At 4 P M got a Distance Long 24° 37'
4 7		So the Chro must be near right
6 6 12		At 10 P M saw Land bearing S
8 5 12		Distance by log 15 mile at 10 have too
10 5 12		With the main yard aback with
12 1	S	All light sails furled heading S E
2 1		At 2 A M wore round lying aback
4 1	N W	Heading N° at 7 A M steered for the
6		Island of St Nicholas at 11 A M
8		The Captain went on shore the
10		Town bearing N W distance 3 mile
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Remarks on board Thursday October the 17

		Commences with light trades at 2
		P M the Capt returned no trade to day
		At 5 went on shore again with a few
		Articles to trade with tomorrow at 7
		Returned and headed of shore middle
Henry Harv		Part lying off and on at 8 P M went
		On shore again at 10 came on board
Henry P Howell		With Hogs and Bananas and returned
Drunk detained		With 2 boats at 12 came on board
The Ship 6 hours		With a man missing and through
		him we have to send on shore again

Bearing and distance N W part of
St Jagoes S 21 E distance 66 mile

Remarks on board Friday October the 18

2 R	Course W	Commences with light trades
4		Lying off and on at 2 P M the Capt
6		Went on shore again to look for
8 7	S E N E	The man and found him at 4
10 7		Part 6 returned and made all sail
12 8		And steered S by W per Compass
2 8		At night at 7 the S point of St
4 7		Nicholas bore E distance 2 mile
6 7		From which i take my departure
8		Midnight saw a brig standing off
10		Latter part calm lying between Fogo
12		And St Jagoes

Remarks on board Saturday October the 19

Calin between the Islands and light
Baffling winds making spungy
At 4 P M took the trades again
Middle and latter part fresh
Trades steering S S E
Lat by Obs 12° 36' Long by Chro 23° 21'